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Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Gulfco Marine Maintenance Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas

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Present Status

On May 4, 2006, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Work Plan, and the associated Sampling and Analysis Plan for the Gulfco Marine Maintenance Site (Site). The implementation of the RI/FS will result in the investigation of the Site and will provide alternatives for remedial action, as necessary. The initial round of RI/FS field activities was performed during June through August when soil, ground water, sediment, and surface water samples were collected.

The next round of RI/FS field activities is anticipated to start in late November 2006. At that time, fish samples will be collected as well as additional sediment samples from the Intracoastal Waterway.

The fish species to be collected are redfish, speckled trout, flounder, and blue crab. The samples will be analyzed for several metals, pesticides, and organic compounds that were detected in the sediments of the Intracoastal Waterway during the initial round of sampling. If enough samples of the target species can not be collected, then croaker, sheepshead, and/or black drum will be collected instead. A boat and crew will be operating in areas within the Intracoastal Waterway to complete the sampling. Nets and crab traps will also be used. Future rounds of sampling will be done to build on the results from the previous sampling trips.

Site Description and History

The Site is approximately 40 acres in size and is located approximately 3 miles southeast of the city of Freeport, Texas. It lies along the north bank of the Intracoastal Waterway. The Site operated as a barge cleaning facility from 1971 until 1998. Operations at the facility involved the cleaning, servicing, and repair of various types of barges. The Site was proposed for listing as a Superfund National Priorities List (NPL) site on September 2, 2002, and was included on the NPL on May 30, 2003.

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